Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who have retired from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Ferguson-Florissant R-II School District lost a valuable member of its faculty on April 9, 2004, with the retirement of Evelyn Marie Head who devoted more than three decades of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

Whereas, Evelyn Head taught for thirty-two years at Parker Road Elementary School, where she was held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrated considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Evelyn Head taught second and fourth grades at DeSmet Elementary School for five years and fourth grade at Kinloch Elementary School for three years prior to assuming her responsibilities as a second and fourth grade teacher at Parker Road Elementary School; and

Whereas, Evelyn Head has enjoyed recognition as a Math Representative and member of the Technology Committee at Parker Road, an after-school tutor, and a member of the Ferguson-Florissant National Education Association, the Missouri National Education Association, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; and

Whereas, Evelyn Head derives a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through her role as co-sponsor of Coleman Wright's Children's Church, Vice President of the St. Louis District Stewardess CME Church, and as lay Vice President of the St. Louis CME Church, where she has also served as Secretary of the Bishop's Committee; and

Whereas, Evelyn Head has been blessed with a wonderful family whose members include one daughter, Tawana White; her parents, Delores Head and the late John Head; her grandmother, Alberta Hinton; her grandfather, Willie Head, the first African-American mayor in the state of Missouri; and her siblings, Patricia Johnson, Joyce Thurman, the Honorable Juanita Head Walton, State Representative from the 81st District, Sharon Gill, John Head, Willie Head, and Charles Head:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Ferguson-Florissant R-II School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Evelyn Head rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Evelyn Marie Head, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by
Representative Juanita Head Walton
District No. 81
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and
correct copy of House Resolution No, adopted
, 2004.
Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker